21st of October, 2020.

To whom it may concern,

Further to your firm’s advertisement, I would like to be considered for the Trainee Solicitor Position and enclose my CV for your review.

As a passionate student with a love for all things law, I have recently completed my fourth and final year of study in the LLB Bachelors of Law Programme in Maynooth University.

During my studies I have developed particular skills in self-motivation and this is supported by my thesis on “White Collar Crime in Corporate Ireland and the Injustices Around the Lack of Prosecution” in which I attained a 1:1 grade. This paper is due to be published by the university but I can provide a copy upon request. I understood the need to communicate and collaborate with experts in the field and had personal mentorship from leading academics in the area, including Joe McGrath of UCD Sutherland School of Law and Kenan Furlong, A&L Goodbody. These encounters reinvigorated my pursuit of a profession in this area.

I fervently believe that my willingness to learn and determination to succeed, along with my reliable and adaptable persona make me an ideal employee to take on this trainee position. I am an outgoing people person and am both competent and confident working in environments which can be highly customer/client directed. Holding down employments throughout my undergraduate degree in the local Spar here in Maynooth as well as that in the Aviva Stadium as an event steward for the press box, have developed my work ethic and personable skills – both of which I feel are essential for this position.

Commencing on August 31st just gone, I have taken up an internship in Hayes solicitors, on a 3 month contract in preparation for the commencement of my FE1’s. I think it would support my development if I was working in a professional environment such as yours, to learn from others, and to put as much into the task on hand as I get out. I plan to sit all eight of my FE1’s next year in two sittings (March and October). This will be my first attempt of them.

I am eager to learn and I wish to continue with legal experience, preferably in Byrne Wallace, with whom I have heard so much about and would love to get a 2022 traineeship with. Nobody is more aware than I that I do not have a lot of experience but I am really enjoying working in the legal profession, so much so that I did not want to use up a week of my annual leave in Hayes and have opted to work the days instead.

I am most grateful for your consideration of my application and I look forward to the opportunity to meet with you to learn more about this job opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

Shaun Flynn